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## KC MAN INDICTED FOR CONSPIRING TO DISTRIBUTE METH

**KANSAS CITY, Mo.** – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Kansas City, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for conspiracy to distribute methamphetamine.

**Pablo Valdovinos-Bravo**, 23, of Kansas City, Mo., was indicted by a federal grand jury in Kansas City for conspiring to distribute 50 grams or more of methamphetamine between July 6, 2003, and Jan. 23, 2004.

**Valdovinos-Bravo** was originally charged in a criminal complaint filed in U.S. District Court in Kansas City on Jan. 23, 2004. Today's indictment replaces that criminal complaint.

According to an affidavit filed in support of the criminal complaint, **Valdovinos-Bravo** sold methamphetamine to undercover officers on two occasions and intended to sell methamphetamine on a third occasion.

The first sale allegedly took place on Nov. 18, 2003, and was for one ounce of methamphetamine. The second sale took place on Dec. 2, 2003, and was for 27.38 grams of methamphetamine, according to the affidavit.

On Jan. 21, 2004, **Valdovinos-Bravo** agreed to sell one ounce of methamphetamine again to undercover officers within a couple days, according to the affidavit. On Jan. 23, 2004, law enforcement officers executed a search warrant on **Valdovinos-Bravo's** residence, which is located at 722 Bennington, in Kansas City.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U.S. Attorney Kate Mahoney. It was investigated by the Drug Enforcement Administration.

Graves cautioned that the charge contained in the indictment is simply an accusation, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charge must be presented to a federal trial jury,

whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

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